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Ms. Lisa Hourihan  
Courtroom Deputy to the  
Honorable Reginald C. Lindsay  
U.S. District Court  
One Courthouse Way, Suite 2300  
Boston, MA 02210

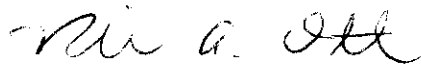
**Re: Marlene Johansen v. United States, et al.**  
**Docket No. 04-11789-RCL (USDC D. Mass.)**

Dear Ms. Hourihan:

In response to the Order issued by Magistrate Judge Robert B. Collings dated February 7, 2005, please be advised that National City Mortgage does not consent to the reassignment of the above-referenced case to Magistrate Judge Robert B. Collings.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (617) 570-1259.

Very truly yours,



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